GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA

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MILL GATE PASS SCHEME
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Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a): whether the Government has received any request from the Government of Kerala to incorporate Coir Sector in the a `Mill Gate Price Scheme`;

(b): if so, the details thereof; and

(c): the time by which a final decision to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES & AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): A request was received from the Government of Kerala in January, 2005 for incorporating the coir sector in the Mill Gate Price Scheme (MGPS) for handloom weavers being operated by the Development Commissioner for Handlooms.

(c): The Government of Kerala has been informed on 13 May, 2005 that the coir sector is different from the handloom sector, and hence it is not possible to include supply of coir fibre under the MGPS.